Goals for the 2009-2010 School Year

* My main goal for the 2009-2010 year was to turn all of my previous Biology 20 Lessons into electronic lessons and I am happy to say that I was not only able to meet this goal but a lot of *mini* goals as well. I would, however, not have been able to do so without the help of my intern Nicole Romanow. Together we work incredibly hard converting old notes and worksheets into SMART and Power Point lessons. While I was teaching a lesson she was busy transcribing away and when she was busy with our students I was at the computer creating away – what a team!
* In addition to the Biology 20, I was also able to create new and improved lessons review games and/or voiced over lessons for Science 9, Science 10 and Biology 30.
* I am happy to say that there is nary a lesson that I teach that cannot be uploaded in some fashion to my Wiki. This has been super helpful as it really helps my students and their parents stay on top of the course work and due dates.
* In addition to me using more technology myself, this year I really wanted to expand my student’s use of technology and was able to do so by having students: (1) create Power Point presentations; (2) record their inquiries using Comic Life; (3) document their work using Photo Story; and (4) and expand upon ideas by creating stop motion videos.
* Another goal of mine this year was to help other teachers make wikis and to this end I created a step-by-step document to take teachers through the process. I have had a few teachers use it and they have provided me with valuable feedback so that I can make the steps even more clear.
* Next year I would really like to lead mini workshops (no more than 4 teachers per) on Wiki Creation where each teacher would leave with an up and running wiki site that they have complete command of. I think that it would be way more efficient way to spread the knowledge. But if that is not possible I would be able still provide them with the wiki making document once all of the bumps have been smoothed out!
* Also I really want to work with other SMART teachers to show them some of the cool voice over things that can be done and to steal some of their knowledge!!!!